Relocation Expenses Test Programs for Federal Employees: Senate passed S. 1825, to extend the authority for relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S11300-01

Reid (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 2768, to modify the effective date. Page \$11300

United States Agency for International Development (USAID): Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 312, expressing the sense of the Senate on empowering and strengthening the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: Page S11301

Reid (for Dodd) Amendment No. 2769, to improve the resolution. Page \$11301

Reid (for Dodd) Amendment No. 2770, to amend the preamble. Page \$11301

21st Regular Meeting of the International Commission on the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas: Senate agreed to S. Res. 346, expressing the sense of the Senate that, at the 21st Regular Meeting of the International Commission on the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, the United States should seek to ensure management of the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna fishery adheres to the scientific advice provided by the Standing Committee on Research and Statistics and has a high probability of achieving the established rebuilding target, pursue strengthened protections for spawning bluefin populations in the Mediterranean Sea to facilitate the recovery of the Atlantic bluefin tuna, pursue imposition of more stringent measures to ensure compliance by all Members with the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas' conservation and management recommendations for Atlantic bluefin tuna and other species, and ensure that United States' quotas of tuna and swordfish are not reallocated to other nations. Pages S11301-02

Measures Considered:

Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 3082, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S11265-73, S11283-84

Pending:

Johnson/Hutchison Amendment No. 2730, in the nature of a substitute. Page S11265

Udall (NM) Amendment No. 2737 (to Amendment No. 2730), to make available from Medical

Services, \$150,000,000 for homeless veterans comprehensive service programs. Page \$11265

Johnson Amendment No. 2733 (to Amendment No. 2730), to increase by \$50,000,000 the amount available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for minor construction projects for the purpose of converting unused Department of Veterans Affairs structures into housing with supportive services for homeless veterans, and to provide an offset.

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Franken/Johnson Amendment No. 2745 (to Amendment No. 2730), to ensure that \$5,000,000 is available for a study to assess the feasibility and advisability of using service dogs for the treatment or rehabilitation of veterans with physical or mental injuries or disabilities.

Pages S11267-68

Inouye Amendment No. 2754 (to Amendment No. 2730), to permit \$68,500,000, as requested by the Missile Defense Agency of the Department of Defense, to be used for the construction of a test facility to support the Phased Adaptive Approach for missile defense in Europe, with an offset.

Pages S11269-70

Coburn Amendment No. 2757 (to Amendment No. 2730), to require public disclosure of certain reports.

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Durbin Amendment No. 2759 (to Amendment No. 2730), to enhance the ability of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recruit and retain health care administrators and providers in underserved rural areas.

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Durbin Amendment No. 2760 (to Amendment No. 2730), to designate the North Chicago Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Illinois, as the "Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center".

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, November 10, 2009.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938 on November 14, 1994, as received during the adjournment of the Senate on November 6, 2009; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–38)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: